

REPORT OF MAYOR'S PROBERS ASSAILED

Standardization of City Employees Not Advanced, Bureau Sets Forth

DEALS WITH SALARIES

The report of the Mayor's special committee, recommending certain salary increases, was criticized today by the Bureau of Municipal Research as not advancing the cause of standardization and classification of salaries and jobs.

Why not stop dabbling with the problem of municipal salary and wage adjustment, the bureau asked in its weekly bulletin, especially when there is a plan ready for adoption for dealing with this problem in a comprehensive manner?

Report Made Mandatory

The reference was to the classification report prepared last year by the Civil Service Commission at an approximate cost of \$22,500. The investigation and report by the commission was made mandatory by the new charter.

The Mayor several months ago assigned Director Caven, City Solicitor Smith and Director Sprague to go over the wage and salary situation and to make recommendations. The report submitted by this special committee was called "a distinct disappointment" by the Research Bureau, which continued:

"An examination of the report, which was signed by the director of the Department of Public Works and the city solicitor, reveals it to be an advance on the cause of classification and standardization. It does propose increases in salaries for virtually all employees under the free library board, and for about 240 workers in other departments, including the following: Civil Service Commission, Mayor's office, Commercial Museum, city architect, Department of Law, Wharves, Docks and Ferries, Public Health, Public Welfare, Public Safety and Public Works.

City Transit Not Mentioned

"In the office of the purchasing agent six employees are to have the bonus made part of their regular salaries, but no increase for them are recommended. The Department of City Transit in common with the county offices is not even mentioned in the report. Virtually no changes in titles are proposed. There is no evidence anywhere in the report that standardization was in the minds of those who framed it. It is merely a list of positions, selected in a manner

Description of Suspect Sought in Count's Murder

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not indicated, for which either increases in pay or absorption of the bonus in the regular salary, or both, are recommended. No reference even is made to the report of the Civil Service Commission, which might with great profit have been used as the basis of the work of the committee.

SHOPLIFTER BLAMES RUM

Man Hid Hat and Posed as Store Employee

Roger M. Black, of Ninth and Poplar streets, a former patrolman, was sentenced to six months in the House of Correction by Judge Shull in Criminal Court this morning for stealing twenty-four shirts from a Market street store. Black, pleading guilty, blamed the liquor for his downfall, and asked to be sent somewhere where he could work off its effects.

ROBBED OF \$1000 WATCH

Man Reports "Friend's" Loss to Police—Details Lacking

A man giving the name of T. J. Hendricks and his address as Green's Hotel, reported to the police the robbery from "a friend" whose name he does not wish published, of a watch "worth \$1000." The robbery is said to have taken place in the vicinity of Eighth and Cherry streets.

Sixth district police, who would ordinarily cover a case in that vicinity, have no report or knowledge of the case, Hendricks did not offer any details of the robbery, beyond denying that it was a "hold-up."

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MAY GET MAN HERE IN COUNT'S MURDER

Detective Busy in This City in Search for Von Pickler's Slayer

BLOODY CAP IS FOUND

Clues have been found in Philadelphia which may lead to the arrest of the slayer of Heinrich von Pickler, said to have been a German count. He was killed in Atlantic City a week ago.

A checked cap said to have belonged to the suspect shifted the hunt to this city. The cap is stained with blood, and detectives are declared to know who owns it.

Captain of Detectives Souder said Harry Wilson, a private detective employed by County Prosecutor Gaskill, had been in Philadelphia since Tuesday night running out clues in connection with the murder.

"But he has not consulted me, or sought the co-operation of the Philadelphia authorities," Captain Souder said. "The man wanted is about thirty years old and weighs about 160 pounds. He is dark-complexioned, and has straight black hair. He is said to wear 'flabby' clothes."

Robbery and revenge were given as motives for the crime by Atlantic City police. Wilson says Von Pickler was known to have a considerable sum of money on his person, which was missing when the body was found.

During the war Von Pickler was frank in denouncing his fatherland. At one time, the detectives say, he was approached by German secret agents, whom he repulsed.

The latter theory, that the Prussian was murdered out of revenge for his

refusal to espouse the cause of his own country, is the more strongly credited. The detectives believe he was killed by two hired assassins, traveling in a motorcar. They think the car returned to this city, where one of the men remained, while the other returned to New York by rail.

Letters discovered among the dead man's effects by William Carlton, who definitely established his right to the title of Count von Pickler, it is declared. These letters were sent to him by his aunt, Countess von Ruelow, Wurtzburg, Bavaria. She is closely related to the famous Von Buolows of the Kaiser's regime. Von Pickler is said to have been the heir of the countess and also to share in other large estates in the fatherland.

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head bookkeeper at the hotel where Von Pickler was employed, that he had confided to her that he had inherited \$8000 about two years ago and would get about 11,000,000 marks, or about \$2,000,000 in American money at the old rate of exchange, before the war on his return to Germany, which trip he contemplated to make in 1923.

INDEPENDENCE SQUARE WILL BE DOLLED UP MAY 1

City Forester Already Has Planned Attractive Floral Display

Miss Independence Square is getting her colorful spring dress of flowers late this season because the "dressmakers" were so rushed with previous orders they had to delegate May 1 to 16 as the time for beautifying this one of the city's children.

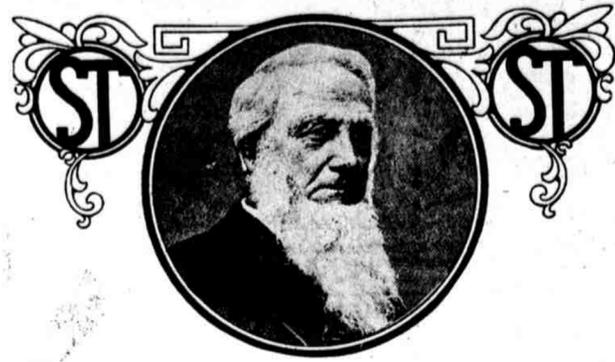
proclaimed Miss Independence Square too elderly, dignified and stately to wear bright colors; that they wanted her to wear just the simple green velvet that usually forms the predominate note in her summer gowns anyway. But City Forester Mills announced today that the gay "trimmings" for her gown had been ordered and designs were now being drawn for the summer frocks.

VICTIMS STILL IN HOSPITAL

Two of the men injured in the acety-

lene gas flare aboard the steamship Manchester Shipper, at Port Richmond, yesterday, in which one man was killed, are still in the Episcopal Hospital as a result of their burns. They are James Warrington, 2140 South Haverock street, and Charles Clark, 2825 East Monmouth street. The men were burned when they tried to extinguish the flaming clothing of William Moore, a fellow-workman, who was enveloped by the blast. He died later in the Episcopal Hospital.

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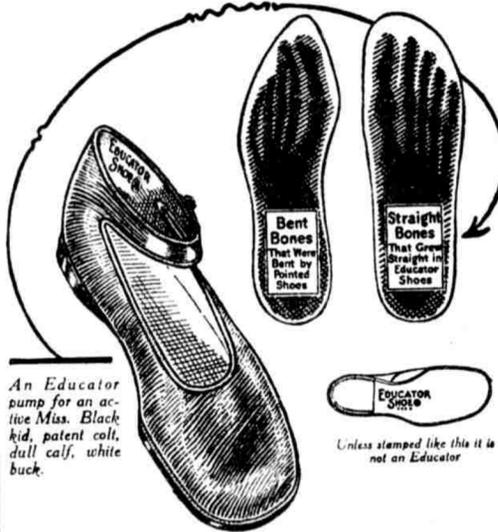
While the boy is buying the roses, his brother—a man of action—has her cornered in her room, magnificently telling her the old, old love story.

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